

TECHNICAL ASSISTANCE PROGRAM
United States Army Corps of Engineers (USACE)

AUTHORITY. Water Resources Development Act (WRDA) of 1988, Section 9, Public Law 100-676, as amended, 33 U.S.C. 2314a. This Program was made permanent in WRDA 90, Section 318c, Public Law 101-640.

PURPOSE. To enhance the competitiveness of United States firms competing for or awarded contracts for the planning, design or construction of a project outside the United States by making available the specialized engineering, technical and scientific expertise of the USACE.

EXAMPLES OF TECHNICAL ASSISTANCE.

Police College Complex. New York District provided planning and design consultancy to Skidmore, Owings and Merrill for a 300,000 square meter police college in Kuwait. Paraguay-Parana Hidrovia Project. Waterways Experiment Station provided physical and numerical modeling assistance to Louis Berger, International, for feasibility studies on improvement of navigation on the Paraguay-Parana River system in South America. Niagara Power Pr. Cold Regions Research and Engineering Laboratory provided hydraulic tests of ice transport problems to Alden Research Laboratory to assist in development of a physical model of ice concerns on the Canadian side of the Niagara River.

ELIGIBILITY. A corporation, partnership, limited partnership or proprietorship incorporated or established under the laws of the United States with its principal place of business in the United States.

REQUIREMENTS: USACE technical assistance must be provided on a non-exclusive basis to qualified firms. The firm must fully reimburse the United States for USACE support services, certify that the assistance requested is not reasonably and expeditiously available through other sources, and agree to hold and save the United States free from damages associated with USACE support activities.

GUIDELINES: 33 U.S.C. 2314a and *Policy and Procedural Guidelines for the Technical Assistance Program, 20 October 1996.*

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